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## Two New Studies Show Alarming Segregation in New Jersey Schools Which May Run Afoul of State Constitution

WHAT:

The Civil Rights Project at UCLA (CRP) and the Institute on Education Law and Policy at Rutgers University-Newark (IELP) will jointly release two reports documenting the growing racial and socioeconomic divide in New Jersey public education. While the CRP report shows the alarming growth from 1989 to 2010 of apartheid and intensely segregated schools, the IELP study shows that the extreme isolation of poor students of color is concentrated in mostly urban areas of NJ. Both studies are products of close collaboration between the two research centers and are inter-related, but each develops a distinctive set of issues.

WHEN: Telephone press call, Friday, October 11, 2013, 12:00 p.m. EST

Phone Number to call: 800-755-1805

Wно: Gary Orfield, Professor, UCLA, and Co-director, CRP

Paul Tractenberg, Professor, Rutgers School of Law, Co-director, IELP, and Lead Author

**IELP** study

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Embargoed copies of the report are available upon request

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